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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DEVICE USED TO AID IN THE LOADING AND UNLOADING OF VEHICLES AND IMPLEMENTS**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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